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YOUTH POWER:
Ben Smilowitz, like many college

students across the nation, is getting into government and politicians are showing interest;

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BOB TAFT: Governor Bob Taft waves to the spectators lined along the street in Cincinnati, Ohio, Monday, April 1, 2002, as he marches in the Findlay Market Parade prior to the home opener of the Cincinnati Reds baseball season.



TIM HAGAN: Tim Hagan has spent most of his working life in public service, including nearly two decades in elected public office. Here Hagan shakes hands with supporters, as he prepares for the upcoming gubernatorial election.

City to add lanes to Wooster Street

By Kara Hull
CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

Driven by complaints, the city of Bowling Green plans to bring relief from the heavy traffic flow on Wooster Street by making a series of improvements set to begin this summer.

"The need for change came about by numerous complaints that the traffic could not get down Wooster Street, especially on Friday afternoons," Bill Blair, director of public works, said. "(Wooster Street) is a big bottleneck."

According to Rich Hertzfeld, a civil engineer with The Poggemeyer Design Group, the \$6.5 million project is designed to not only satisfy current needs, but to look toward the future as well.

The project, known as a Transportation Improvement Project (TIP), will include the reconstruction of several major intersections along Wooster Street and will address the need for more lanes at the especially congested area by the I-75 over-

pass.

According to Blair, after an intersection expansion at Mercer Road and Wooster Street, five lanes of traffic will exist from Mercer to the overpass of I-75.

The intersection at Thurston Avenue and Manville Avenue will also be increased to five lanes.

Work is also planned for the North College Drive intersection and a new storm sewer will be installed running from South College Drive to Mercer and Poe Roads.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is leading the search for contractors and plans to choose one in late July.

"Depending on who the successful contractor is, it will be up to them to decide when they wish to start," Blair said. "Hopefully, they'll start right away in August, but we don't know."

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FACING OFF

Candidates tackle education

By Michael Ksenyak
REPORTER

Funding for higher education, the future of the economy and the cost of prescription drugs are some of the main issues for both candidates in tomorrow's gubernatorial election.

Democrat Tim Hagan faces republican incumbent Bob Taft for Ohio's governor seat and deciding the future of Ohio for the next four years.

Bob Taft

Since Taft took office in 1999, support for Ohio schools has increased 40 percent. The funds for primary and secondary education received an additional increase of \$1.4 billion over the past two years.

"(Taft) has increased educational funding and is strengthening the standards of accountabil-

ity," Orest Holubec said, Taft's press secretary.

Taft proposed the Governor's Commission for Student Success in 2000, which he created to address issues like how to make it clear to students, parents and educators what students should know, and be able to do, in each grade and before graduation.

The Commission will also look at how to measure student performance and progress and how to hold students, teachers and educators responsible for academic achievement.

The governor has also created the Teacher Advisory Committee to try and include teachers in the state's effort of improving education.

The Committee is made up of 25 members and advises the Governor about decisions

regarding the classroom, students and teachers.

Another program that Taft started was the Third Frontier Project, but this does not deal with education. The project is set to expand the Ohio's high-tech research capabilities and to promote new companies to create high-paying jobs.

Through this project and others, Taft's administration has created 41,000 jobs.

"The Third Frontier Project is going to transition Ohio from traditional jobs to advanced high-tech jobs," Holubec said.

"It focuses on five points: innovation, entrepreneurship, fostering success, the workforce and supporting Ohio's strengths," he said.

Taft's plans for improving the economy and lowering the bud-

get are to continue looking for savings and closing business tax loopholes, according to Holubec.

"If the solution (to lowering the budget) requires a broad-based tax, he will do that, only with the support of the public," he said.

Taft is also looking at prescription drug costs. He has proposed a prescription drug discount for senior citizens.

This 10-to-25 percent discount can be acquired by using the Golden Buckeye Card.

Tim Hagan

Hagan is presenting to the state a four-year vision with five principles. His third principle deals with education and says he will "reduce the cost of higher education for Ohioans and make

ELECTION, PAGE 2

Program stresses proper etiquette

By Greg Kohrieser
REPORTER

Mind your manners. That was just one of many tips given to students who attended Professional Etiquette, a program held on Oct. 23.

The program, sponsored by the Career Center, focused on three aspects of etiquette. The first part of the program was a two hour dinner with a guest speaker. The speaker focused on place settings so that students would know which of the five forks in front of them to use and when.

The second aspect of the program covered business protocol, interactions and behaviors of the workplace. The third and final aspect of Professional Etiquette was about networking and the importance of building professional relationships.

Dennis Hefner, assistant director and recruiting manager for Career Services, stressed the goal of the program.

"We're trying to educate stu-

QUICK ETIQUETTE TIPS

APPLY: Use common sense and everyday manners.

IMITATE: Follow the lead of the host or elder.

WATCH: Pay attention to what is going on around you.

dents on processes, some behaviors and give them some tips," he said. "We feel that students for any major, no matter what they go into ... they are going to have an experience where an employer, a client, a customer (or) someone is going to take them to a formal setting."

Etiquette has three essential rules, according to Hefner. The first is to use common sense and everyday manners. The second is to follow the lead of the host or elder; in other words, be a good follower. He also stressed paying attention to what is going on around you.

MANNERS, PAGE 2

Reporter rides with, gains respect for police work

By Mary Beth White
REPORTER

With a friendly smile, Campus Police officer Carl Reuther opened the passenger side door to his cruiser at 11:18 Halloween night. I would be riding with him for the next two hours.

My expectations were grand. I wanted more than anything for someone in a gorilla suit to be riding in the back seat before my time was up. But I would have been happy saving a kitty from a tree or engaging in a high speed chase.

I think C.O.P.S. has diluted my idea of the job real police officers do, especially here on campus.

The real job isn't glorified and doesn't race by a mile a minute. The importance of what they do

didn't really hit me until I was home and in bed, safe.

Our evening may not have included a gorilla suit, but it wasn't without excitement. We started off in Lot 6. There have been some break-ins recently, and we were just checking to make sure everything was in order. Right away, I had a job to do. Armed with only a light switch and my eye sight I was heart-set on finding something seedy to impress my new officer friend with.

At 11:37 I stumbled upon an open window on a blue Blazer. Dragnet's got nothing on me. Reuther seemed proud of his new recruit and stopped the car to inspect. Turns out someone just left their window ajar, but we fixed it. Crisis averted.

The rush of doing real police work made me think this finding would be the pinnacle of my evening, but it wasn't. Only fifteen minutes later we got a call on the humming, buzzing, box Reuther called the scanner. To me it was a conversation-interrupting annoyance that proved to be useful.

There was a suspicious car parked up past the overflow lot. We were on the case.

As Reuther slowly pulled the cruiser up to the parked car, it became clear that the people in it were "parking," as Reuther called it.

"We'll wait for them to put their clothes on," he said, taking a long drag from his cigarette.

Reuthers didn't strike me as the

type of guy who would smoke. He is a tall healthy looking man, with a strait-laced, loyal demeanor. I would guess that he has never committed a crime in his life; no stealing as a schoolboy or speeding as a young adult. But a smoker he was.

"My one vice," he said after asking me if it was all right if he smoked in the car. A real gentleman, Reuther asked that same question before each cigarette.

It was hard not to laugh as the young couple haphazardly climbed back into the front seat of their parked car.

"Try not to laugh when I open the window," Reuther said. "We

POLICE, PAGE 2



Amanda Keegan BG News

ON ASSIGNMENT: BG News reporter Mary Beth White spent Halloween night riding in Carl Reuther's police cruiser looking for crime and keeping Bowling Green safe.

FOUR-DAY FORECAST

The four-day forecast is taken from weather.com

TUESDAY



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WEDNESDAY



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U. police protect student safety

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have to be professional."

That task was harder than I expected, but I managed. Reuther was nice to the couple, but he had turned on his business voice. He ran their social security numbers and then sent them on their way.

He never mentioned a law that the two had broken. He just expressed genuine concern for their safety. They made themselves vulnerable, he explained. Anyone who was looking to commit a crime would have seen them as an easy target. He was right, and I began to understand a little better what being a

campus cop was all about.

By 12:02 we were back on the job over in lot 12.

"It would be nice if there were more lights in these lots," Reuther said as he showed me the broken glass still left on the pavement from a recent string of break-ins.

After a while I didn't even notice the buzz of the radio and the beep of the scanner — instead I noticed the shot gun strapped above my head.

I've always been afraid of guns, and my imagination ran wild with possible scenarios of when a cop would ever need a shot gun on the campus of Bowling Green. I pictured a crazed dorm riot with students

holding night guards hostage and demanding bigger rooms and better meals. In my head Reuther was triumphantly bounding through a barricade with his shot gun in hand, demanding justice.

But even this mental image scared me. I really hate guns. I wasn't able to concentrate on anything Reuther said for the next ten minutes.

I was finally distracted from my insane fear of guns at 12:33, when I decided that even on Halloween, girls need to wear more clothes. As packs of people walked down Thurston, the men all had on jackets and long pants, appropriate attire for a chilly early morning. The

women, however, wore little more than their coconut bras or school girl mini skirts.

It's so easy to lose focus doing this job. Looking back I probably spent 20 to 25 minutes not thinking about crime fighting at all. Reuther never strayed. Cops don't drive slow just because they are ultra law-abiding. They drive slow because they always have an eye out for crime and for the safety of others.

At 12:55 it felt like Reuther slammed on the brakes screaming "hold on." In reality I had just gotten so accustomed to his slow dragging stops that this one seemed abrupt.

We pulled over the car that caused this near frantic halt. The

two girls in the car thought it was a four way intersection at Troup and Clough, but it's not. Reuther didn't give the driver a ticket, he just let her know that she had almost made him slow his 20 mph cruiser down to five mph in under two minutes.

The streets were once again safe, but my time was up. The experience was eye-opening and entertaining, too.

Reuther's genuine and constant concern for the safety of the students was inspiring. But it was obvious, after only two hours, my imagination would get the best of me in this job. It's too hard to focus on real crime when you are constantly picturing imaginary chaos.

Wooster to expand to five lanes

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The storm sewer work as well as underground wiring for the intersections will be the first phases to be completed.

In any construction project, underground installations are always finished first to avoid disrupting the construction taking place above ground and to provide better drainage for the construction site.

Like any major construction project, the current plans for Wooster Street have changed since the city initially proposed the project.

"Ideally, we would have liked to have gone to four lanes with a median," Blair said. "But this would have required taking most of the land from the University."

Unwilling to skimp on safety, the University expressed concern about Wooster Street becoming too close to campus buildings.

Though the University will not be losing any large amounts of land, it has offered small portions around intersections to aid in the project.

"We've been working very closely with the city to accommodate their requests," said Robert Waddle, assistant vice president for capital planning. "We've come up with what I feel is a very good compromise all the way around."

According to Blair, it is likely that only one road will be under construction at a time. The entire project is expected to take at least a year.

Though Wooster Street will remain open during the project, construction will hinder traffic. An alternative route using Clough Street, the first main street south of Wooster, is planned to aid in maintaining the traffic flow.

"Traffic will be maintained on Wooster, but it will be funneled down to, at best, one lane around the construction area," Blair said. "Wooster will not be an ideal road to travel."

Class teaches etiquette for both work and school

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Etiquette is used in many settings. Outside of the workplace a professional etiquette is more appropriate for an art show or attending a show, while a mix of both social and professional etiquette is more useful for occasions such as galas, evening events and grand openings.

The key to etiquette is to tune into who you are interacting with, he said.

"Be aware of their background, their culture, the purpose you're meeting them for, what they want out of the meeting or interaction and then work to make that a good experience," Hefner said.

Students can find etiquette useful in a variety of situations. It

can be helpful for a student who is invited by their potential or current employer to a lunch or dinner. Students hosting prominent guests on campus can use etiquette when taking them out for dinner. Hefner also cited leadership and professional conferences as places where etiquette is used.

Workplace etiquette is important any time someone is meeting with customers, clients, partners or anyone business related. Proper etiquette also makes someone more approachable for clients and customers, he said. The way you answer the phone and leave voice mail messages is also important.

Hefner also offered a few suggestions for students on how to interact with professors. When

leaving voice mail for them, speak slowly and audibly, leaving a brief, to-the-point message. He also stressed the necessity of leaving your contact information and what time you can be reached. When writing e-mails, students should use proper grammar and spelling so that the person reading the message knows the writer took time and cares about what they are writing.

First impressions are very important, even if they are made through e-mail or voice mail messages instead of face-to-face meetings, he added.

For information on programs similar to Professional Etiquette, visit the Career Center in room 360 of the Student Services Building or call 419-372-2356.

Taft, Hagan stress education, economy

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Ohio's research centers world leaders," as stated in The Hagan Plan, online at www.timhaganforgovernor.com

"What Bob Taft has done to higher education is he has made it harder to get one," said Austin Jenkins, communications director for Hagan.

"Ohio is the seventh largest state in the country, and it ranks forty-first in a percentage of college grads. That is unacceptable," he said.

Ohio has the fifth highest tuition rates in the country, according to Jenkins, and the first thing that must be done to restore funding for higher education is to lower those costs.

"Hagan is about the future of Ohio," Jenkins said. "People graduate with a degree and they want a good job, and more people are leaving the state for jobs."

"If there was ever a year for college kids to get out and vote, it's the 2002 governor's

election," he said. "I encourage every college student who cares about their college and their future in this state to get out and vote on Nov. 5."

Another one of the principles in Hagan's plan is to "rebuild and restore Ohio's economy and education system so Ohioans can secure their own future," according to The Hagan Plan.

"You don't have a strong economy without a strong educational system," Jenkins said.

Hagan also has a principle focusing on prescription drugs. He plans to lower the cost and remove the barriers to affordable health care.

"Tim Hagan is proposing a Prescription Drug Fair Pricing Act, which was introduced by Robert Hagan, a state senator and brother of Tim Hagan," Jenkins said.

"The proposal introduces state bulk purchasing drugs, which will lower the individual cost," he said.

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8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Timeless: A Continuum of Art in the Digital Age
Union Galleries

9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Campus Greens Voter Education Table
Union Lobby

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
College Democrats Info. Table
College Democrats will be giving out info. on Democratic candidates for the Nov. 5 election.
Union Lobby

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Senior Pictures Promotion Table
The Yearbook staff will be giving out information about senior pic-

tures.
Union Lobby

10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
ACS 250 Class Project
Students of ACS 250 will be giving information about renting and comparing prices around the NW Ohio area.
Union Lobby

4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Writers Group
An hour-long haven for writers, those who like to write, and those dragged along by their writer friends. Open to anyone in the University community. For further information, contact Teresa Milbrodt at 372-9683 or terrian@bgsu.edu. Meets every

Monday from 4:00-5:00 p.m. **The Women's Center, 107 Hanna Hall**

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
College: Who? Me?
A free program for adults considering starting or returning to college. The Assistant Director will explain how the staff of Adult Learner Services and Evening Credit Programs can help adult students assess their interests, explore ideas, obtain practical information and develop plans for additional education. For more information or to register, call Continuing Education, International & Summer Programs at 419.372.8181.
College Park Building, Rm 1

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Anorexia & Bulimia Support Group
This support group is sponsored by the Student Health Center and the Counseling Center. Group support for women at all stages of recovery. Confidentiality is emphasized. Please contact Judy Miller for more information, 372-7425. Meets every Monday
The Women's Center, 107 Hanna Hall

7 p.m.
Documentary Film: 'The Message'
The Muslim Students' Association will be presenting a screening of 'The Message,' a film documenting the origins of Islam and its influence on the world. Learn the truth about how Islam began in this unique epic film. A question and answer session will be held after the showing.
Union Theater

7 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Auditions for Pirates of Penzance
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College of Musical Arts. Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance" Sign up for 5 minute time slot. Required to sing one song of any genre. Accompanist is provided. To sign up for Nov 4 audition time go to office 1050 in the College of Musical Arts. To sign up for Nov 5 time go to board across from Theatre office, 338 South Hall. Call back announcements will be posted in both locations. Show runs Feb. 21, 21, 28 and March 1 and 2. Script and Scores are available for check out in the Theatre office for 24 hour period of time. Call 372-2222 for additional information.
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9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
Battle of the Bands 2002
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Union Lenhart Grand Ballroom

THE CAMPUS BLOTTER

Friday, November 1:

Matthew Gaffney, of Perrysburg, Ohio, was cited for speeding.

A vehicle was keyed while parked in Lot J.

Complainant reported she thought her tires were slashed in Lot 6.

A computer was damaged in McDonald West.

Parking decal was stolen from vehicle.

Complainant believes his roommate tampered with his computer.

Complainant advised that various items were stolen from her purse as well as from her roommates.

A student was checked out by the Bowling Green Fire Department for a fall he sustained in the Union. He was not transported to the hospital at his request.

A disturbance was reported in Founders. Upon the officers arrival, one subject that was involved was gone from the scene.

Complainant reported that the third floor stairwell door in Batchelder had been torn off of the hinges. It will be replaced.

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- The Columbus Dispatch, 6/1/02

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QUOTE UNQUOTE

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Rapper EMINEM, on writing his lyrics.
(newsweek.com)

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OPINION

Sorry, but raffle still seems wrong

Editor's Note: The following editorial is being run in conjunction with the letter to the editor submitted by Jordan Ohler, president of the University Activities Organization printed below. The letter was sent to The BG News in response to our staff editorial on Friday, Nov. 1, titled "Raffle is tasteless and disrespectful."

First and foremost, we here at The BG News, would like to state that we fully stick by our staff editorial

from Friday, Nov. 1. We would also like to say that we will not, as UAO would like us to, apologize to the parents of the students or to the student body as a whole.

UAO ran ads during the week of Oct. 21 to sell tickets for the Six Student Memorial Scholarship Fund. According to Ohler, the funds raised by the raffle were not for a scholarship but a memorial outside Founders Quadrangle. However, the ads clearly state the raffle is for a

scholarship/memorial. A student looking at the ad and wanting to contribute money would assume that is for a scholarship and not a \$20,000 memorial as Ohler said.

Accompanying the raffle table, UAO placed a display board picturing each of the six students.

What UAO failed to remember is that friends of these students must live with their deaths on a daily basis. The students lived in Founders, where one of the tables was set up. Students who

currently live in Founders, or who frequent the building may remember the events following Spring Break all too vividly.

It is not to say that UAO's intentions were insincere or misplaced, however, the idea to benefit students participating in the raffle trivializes the deaths of those students. Those students deserve more than the \$408 raised by UAO's parking space raffle.

While UAO is a large campus

organization, they are an event planning body. They are not an organization that represents the student body or builds things on campus. The University, itself, or a group of organizations would have been better suited to plan the memorial. That memorial, therefore, would bring together many minds to find the best way to remember the students as a campus.

While the parents may have asked UAO to plan a fund-raising

event, UAO would have been better off contacting students, then spending three days planning the parking space raffle.

The News would like to remember the women once again, they were: Michelle Saunders and Ryan Leigh Foss, both of Huron, Ohio; Sara Jean McCarthy, of Brook Park, Ohio; Andrea A. Bakker, of Strongsville, Ohio; Jacquelyn E. Ahlers, of Vandalia, Ohio; and Jessica Hedlund, of Perrysburg.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

UAO president responds to staff editorial

In regards to Friday's "Staff Editorial," and on behalf of the entire programming body of UAO, I would like to firmly and simply state that you defiled the memory of the BG students and the parents who sought to honor them. Furthermore, you yourselves have lost any sort of class or dignity as journalists.

The argument you made on Friday, and the evidence you presented to back that argument, could not be farther from the truth. The lies that snaked from your staff were some of the most enraging and irreverent things we have ever seen written in your publication.

Before I go on to tell you the true intentions behind the Memorial Raffle, I DEMAND that you immediately retract the statements that you made on Friday. I DEMAND that you write a retraction apologizing to the students for your lapse in professionalism and journalistic integrity. Most importantly, I DEMAND that you publicly apologize to the parents of the students, whose lives were tragically impacted once by the loss they suffered, and then again by your ignorant words.

First and most importantly, no profit was taken by UAO from this raffle. The intention of this raffle was to donate money to a

memorial that is to be erected at the request of the parents of the students who were killed. The memorial will be placed in or near the Founders Quad vicinity, and will be constructed at an estimated cost of \$20,000. The parents of the victims came to UAO, asking for our help to raise the funds for this memorial. With the donation of a parking spot from a generous member of the classified staff, UAO planned this raffle to benefit memorial.

No scholarships were given. No profit was made by this or any student organization, department, or individual. The money raised went solely the funding of the Memorial.

I do suggest that you carry out your research more efficiently before making false claims and passing ill judgment upon a worthy cause.

JORDAN H. OHLER
UAO PRESIDENT

Editor's Note: The above letter is being run in conjunction with today's staff editorial. This letter is being run verbatim.

Why young people should vote tomorrow

Ever wonder why every town has a senior citizens center, but not a youth center? Ever wonder why prescription drugs and social security are the big issues

in elections and not the rising cost of higher education and the dwindling job prospects for American young people? The answer, of course, is extremely simple: old people vote and young people do not vote.

There are lots of reasons people offer for not voting, including the belief that by withholding your vote you are sending a message to the system that you think the whole thing is corrupt. Well, maybe it is, especially considering the evil influence of money and special interest groups in American politics today. However, please consider the following.

On the Nov. 5 ballot, there are dozens of candidates and issues for you to consider — from Governor and U.S. representatives on down.

Do all the research you can (the internet works well for this) on all of these candidates and see if you can find just one worthy of your vote.

If you spend the time and effort you may be surprised and find yourself wanting to vote for many candidates from a myriad of parties. But if you don't spend some time finding out who the candidates are and what the issues are all about, you really can't say that they're all corrupt and it isn't worth your time to vote, because you wouldn't actually know what you're talking about. And no one wants that.

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PEOPLE ON THE STREET

How many classes have you skipped so far this year?



RYAN HOUGHTLEN
FRESHMAN, EDUCATION

"Three classes a week times seven weeks equals 21 classes."



DOUG DIALS
FRESHMAN, BUSINESS

"Ballpark, about 20."



KARA LOCKABY
FRESHMAN
PRE-DENTISTRY

"Maybe five total."



MEGAN SHRIVER
SENIOR, NURSING

"None, I can't afford to skip."

All couples deserve to have equal rights

GRETCHEN ROBERTS

Opinion Columnist

American society is built partly by tradition. Turkey for Thanksgiving and ham for Christmas, midnight on New Year's and fireworks for the Fourth of July — each holiday has its own tradition. Similarly, many families have their own tradition: my family has a Christmas tradition of opening presents, eating, drunkenness and football. America is full of traditions that can be slightly different, but are usually passed down from generation to generation. One of the traditions handed down through generations is the idea of gender roles and their place in society. Ideas about gender roles have brought revolutions to America, including the Women's Liberation movement, which eventually gave women the power to vote.

Similarly, the Women's Liberation movement later served to give African-Americans the courage to step up and demand equal rights for themselves. America has undergone many changes, including the Civil Rights and Women's Liberation movements, but oddly enough, another group is being cast aside and oppressed. Homosexual rights — specifically the right to a publicly recognized marriage — are being disregarded.

Homosexuals are persecuted by the military, are occasionally prosecuted for making love, and are denied the sanctity of publicly recognized marriage. Gay marriage is not legally acknowledged anywhere in the United States. Their relationships are illegal in 23 states, seven of which single out acts between persons of the same sex: Homosexuals are looked down upon everywhere, not necessarily for what they do but for what they are. Women and minorities had a radical change many years ago, and now it's time for another change; it's time for equal rights for homosexuals, and the acknowledgement of same-sex marriages.

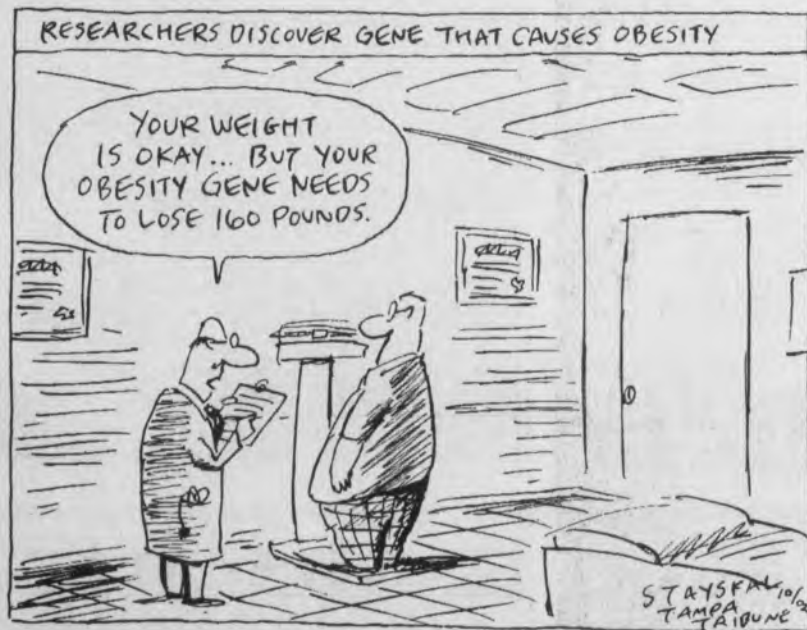
Homosexuals are denied things like medical benefits and life insurance for spouses

because same-sex marriages aren't allowed in U.S. This seems to be a very unjust situation, considering marriage is a basic right. Mixed and transsexual marriages are acknowledged, so why not let same-sex marriages be allowed? Mixed marriages and transsexual marriages have been given approval, yet same sex marriages haven't.

So what exactly does an appropriate marriage consist of? Were the marriages of Elizabeth Taylor or Bill Clinton and Hillary Rodham considered approved? What about the marriage of Charles and Diana? Adultery, abuse and violence in marriages are given the stamp of approval, yet same-sex marriages between two people who love each other aren't. Maybe couples should take a marriage test before being allowed to marry. Is there an appropriate way to measure how much two people love each other, though?

Marriage is supposed to be a sanctity and union between two people who respect each other. It is a declaration of personal responsibility for another person. There is no reason to believe that the values and experiences of domestic life are any different for homosexual couples. Marriage offers structural support to heterosexual partners, and the denial of marriage to gay couples deprives them of this support. Denying this right to homosexuals is the oppression of a fundamental right — a right that should be available to any two citizens.

There is an argument that children raised by gay parents don't grow up to be well-adjusted members of society; they grow up gay like their parents. Children do well in many different family forms though. The quality of the care they receive is more important than who cares for them. Contrary to what many people think, children aren't hurt from having gay or lesbian parents. In fact, these kids are growing up seeing that their parents aren't constrained by their gender. They're living with people in society who make good, healthy decisions, and who deeply care about each other. Many families in America lack that much commitment. And commitment is what children need most.



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Youth get involved in government



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YOUTH POWER: Ben Smilowitz, a senior at Washington University poses on campus in front of Brookings Hall Friday, Nov. 1. Smilowitz, 21, was drafted by Missouri Gov. Bob Holden to coordinate a youth cabinet, one of the first of its kind for a state government.

By Martha Irvine
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The governor of Missouri is listening. So are several mayors across the country and any number of corporate executives.

They want to know what young people think. And increasingly, they're appointing teens and twentysomethings to advisory boards, councils and cabinets to find out.

"A lot of adults have spent their time trying to figure out what it's like to be young but don't involve us," says Ben Smilowitz, a senior at Washington University in St. Louis.

When boards have included young people, too often they've only been "tokens," he says. But that's beginning to change.

Already an experienced youth activist at age 21, Smilowitz was drafted by Missouri Gov. Bob Holden to coordinate a youth cabinet, one of the first of its kind for a state government.

Applications flooded in over the summer. And this past week, Holden announced the names of 45 young Missourians to be assigned to state departments that deal with everything from transportation to poverty.

"I do not want these people to be out getting the mail or the coffee," Holden says. "I want them to be engaged."

He says he was inspired to create the cabinet by young people already involved in his state's politics — from Students Against Driving Drunk to the daughter of one state senator who spoke in favor of legislation that would allow people as young as 16 to donate organs.

Holden's wish for youth involvement also goes back to his own college days. He was one of several student leaders who fought, in the 1960s, to get a student on his university's board of regents — a "radical" idea at the time, he says.

This fall, the city of Columbus, Ohio, appointed its first youth council. In Indianapolis, which established a youth council three years ago, members have helped organize youth summits, write grants and design a buyback program for violent video games.

Gabe Smith, who has been a member of the Indianapolis council since its inception, says it has taken a while for young people to feel comfortable telling Mayor Bart Peterson what they really think.

"But as we keep going, it's becoming more of an avenue for us to speak out," says Smith, a 17-year-old high school senior.

Sometimes youth are organizing before politicians ever get involved.

It happened last year in Seattle after a young man was killed during the city's Mardi Gras celebration. After an 18-year-old was convicted, Seattle youth joined forces to counter a public outcry against young people.

"They were generalizing instead of looking at the individual," says 17-year-old Vera Artison, a member of the Seattle Youth Congress.

Through public forums and meetings with the mayor, she says her peers "helped change that image a lot."

In Chicago, 18-year-old Lisa Rodriguez and other students recently met with public schools CEO Arne Duncan. They asked for stricter criteria for selecting school security guards after several female students complained of sexual harassment.

Rodriguez, a leader in the youth council in the Brighton Park neighborhood, says she was pleased with how receptive Duncan was.

"Being involved in this group has definitely taught me a lot about how politics works and how to get things that you want," she says. "It's also taught me that uniting with people is better."

There are other advantages to getting involved.

Both Rodriguez and Artison will include their work on their

applications to college.

The same is true for Maya Tobias, who has served as an adviser to Littleearth, a fashion accessories company based in her hometown, Pittsburgh.

Her advice has been as simple as suggesting designers shorten long, out-of-style purse straps. In return, she has gotten an inside look at how a corporation runs.

"It has changed my life so much," says Tobias, 17. "I've become totally interested in business."

Karina Meckel, a 20-year-old junior at Brown University, says the same. She has served on advisory panels for ad agency Euro RSCG with young people from Russia, China and other countries — and turned herself into such a valuable resource that the company now pays her as a consultant.

"It's given me an opportunity to have legitimate responsibility," Meckel says.

Of all the ways to get involved, Smilowitz says youth may be the most skeptical of government. Many don't even vote.

"The onus is on government to stand up and say, 'We need to include you,'" he says, "because young people have already given up."

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ALLIES: Qatari men talk to a dummy at a special forces equipment show, for a crowd control, made by British company at the Milipol Qatar 2002, fourth International Exhibition of State Security in Doha, Tuesday Oct. 29, 2002.

Qatar seeks to bolster security

By Anwar Faruqi
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — In the lobby of the Sheraton Hotel, Westerners in suits and Arabs in long robes shuffle past a life-size dummy in a chemical warfare suit and gas mask. A sign shows a cartoon bomb with burning fuse and asks: "Are you ready for this?"

The display dummy is left over from a weapons exposition. But the question of whether this wealthy Persian Gulf emirate is prepared for an attack is timely: If the United States goes to war with Iraq, Qatar seems likely to be in the action.

With a native population of only about 150,000 and twice that number of Asian and eastern European guest workers in an area smaller than Connecticut, this peninsula that juts out from Saudi Arabia is emerging as a key American ally.

The friendship is budding as Washington's insistence on military action to disarm and topple Saddam Hussein is alienating many in the Arab and Muslim world, even staunch Gulf allies like Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

While both those countries have hedged about permitting U.S. attacks from their lands, Qatar has boldly indicated that — if asked — it might allow the use of its al-Udeid air base, which has been upgraded with the region's longest runway.

The reason? Qatar, which has been irritating conservative neighbors by going its own way in liberalizing society, feels it needs to look outside the region for defense partners.

"There is no country in the region that can provide security for the Gulf. We have a close relation with the United States because without that we cannot protect our energy and human resources," said Hassan Saleh al-Ansari, director of Qatar University's Gulf Studies Center.

The clearest sign that Qatar could play a major role in any conflict with Iraq is the decision by U.S. Army Gen. Tommy Franks, who would run the war, to move his command staff to al-Udeid this month.

That move — though billed as temporary — has fueled specula-

tion that Washington may be looking to relocate many of the estimated 5,000 U.S. military personnel stationed at Saudi Arabia's Prince Sultan air base.

Al-Udeid was used by U.S. planes participating in the Afghanistan war. Some 3,000 U.S. personnel and numerous aircraft already are stationed there, and Franks' move with command staff could add 1,000 more.

American military links with Qatar date to the 1991 Gulf War, when Qatari soldiers fought in the coalition that drove Iraq's army from Kuwait.

A 1992 agreement has brought U.S. aid to strengthen Qatar's forces and joint exercises to improve the ability of American and Qatari troops to operate together. Qatar also permits the U.S. Army to store large amounts of equipment and vehicles for use in a crisis.

Meanwhile, Saudi Arabia and other Persian Gulf states have become uneasy hosts for U.S. forces. The Saudi government is under pressure from Muslim fundamentalists who resent having American troops on the holy soil where Prophet Muhammad was born — a view expressed by Osama bin Laden.

Anti-American protests have erupted in Bahrain, home to the U.S. Navy's 5th Fleet. Last month in Kuwait, two Muslim radicals attacked U.S. Marines, killing one and wounding another before being killed themselves.

Qatar is not immune to resentment of U.S. troops, but it remains far less restive than its neighbors.

Once a sleepy oasis of sand dunes and palm trees, Qatar is being transformed by oil and natural gas. Construction cranes tower over unfinished buildings in Doha, and stadiums and a new airport are set to be finished in time for the 2006 Asian Games being held here.

Inside glitzy malls too big for today's population, Arabs and foreigners sip coffee at Starbucks or munch on Subway sandwiches. Mobil stations and American cars are everywhere. The capital's five-star hotels held Halloween bashes for foreigners.

At Ric's Kountry Kitchen, a

diner popular with U.S. soldiers and some 2,000 other Americans living in Qatar, the day's special of clam chowder and pecan pie is scrawled on a blackboard surrounded by flyers for the Minnesota Vikings and the Marines.

The degree of support for militants like bin Laden is hard to gauge. Few Qataris are believed to have joined other Muslims who in the 1980s helped fight the Soviet army in Afghanistan, where bin Laden later set up his terrorist training camps.

Still, a compact disk with 70 minutes of footage and speeches by the al-Qaida leader sells well.

The Qatar-based Al-Jazeera satellite television channel also has angered President Bush's administration with its broadcasts of bin Laden's statements.

Yet, underlining the independent path Qatar is carving, Al-Jazeera irritates Arab leaders with its free-wheeling coverage of the region's politics. Qatar's government has rebuffed efforts to curb the station's coverage, which has become immensely popular with Arab viewers.

"You can't have it both ways. Either you believe in freedom of expression or you don't," said Najeeb Al-Nauimi, a former justice minister who was involved in Al-Jazeera's startup in 1996.

The station was begun with financial help from Qatar's emir, Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, who is in his 50s and is a graduate of Britain's Sandhurst military academy.

Since overthrowing his own father in a bloodless coup seven years ago, the emir has been steering Qatar toward an openness unmatched in the Middle East.

A constitution and elected parliament are in the making. Unlike in Saudi Arabia, where women's activities are restricted, Qatari women drive and they work in hospitals, banks, other businesses and the government.

In 1996, the emir shocked neighbors by establishing low-level ties with Israel. However, two years ago he closed an Israeli trade office to protest the lack of progress in Israel-Palestinian peace talks.

Women's soccer

Tuesday
BG hosts Buffalo in a first-round Mid-American Conference tournament game at Cochrane Field.

Hockey

Friday, Saturday
The Falcons play Michigan in a two-game series at the Ice Arena, trying to rebound from two losses to Miami.

Football

Saturday
BG travels to DeKalb, Ill., playing in their biggest game of the year against Northern Illinois, a team who is one game ahead of the Falcons in the MAC West.

Volleyball

Friday
The spikers host powerhouse Ball State at Anderson Arena.

Tennis

Friday-Sunday
Coach Penny Dean takes her team to the Fall MAC Indoor Tournament, held in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Swimming

Saturday
The swimming squad travels to Buffalo to play Ball State and Buffalo.



Erin Carver BG News

INJURED: A Falcon player is down on the field yesterday. BG beat Cleveland State 3-2 yesterday, and they hold the No. 1 seed for the MAC Tournament.

Soccer team falls to MSU, defeats Vikings

THE BG NEWS

The BG men's soccer team played their last two non-conference games of the season this past weekend, falling to Michigan State Friday afternoon and defeating Cleveland State yesterday. The Falcons finished their regular season at 5-12.

Friday's defeat to Michigan State was another heartbreaking loss for BG, as the Spartans scored on a penalty kick in overtime for a 1-0 win. MSU's Kellen Kalso put the penalty shot past BG goalkeeper David DeGraff for the game-winning score after BG was whistled for a trip inside the penalty box.

Yesterday's 3-2 victory over Cleveland State marked the Falcons' first non-conference victory of the season.

The Falcons scored three goals in the second half, off the feet of Paul Dhaliwal, Ben Monnette and Deryck Freudeman.

DeGraff made three saves for the victory. Monnette and Freudeman's goals were both the first goals of their Bowling Green careers.

The Falcons now prepare for the first round on the Mid-American Conference tournament, for which they hold the No. 1 seed.

The Conference tournament will be held in Huntington, W. Va. and is hosted by Marshall University.



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BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

Spikers drop two games

Jason A. Dixon
SPORTS REPORTER

Patience was more than a virtue for the BG volleyball team this weekend — it was a necessity.

The reason being was that the Falcons took part in one of the most exciting and controversial matches the Mid-American Conference may have experienced in quite a while, as BG fell to Eastern Michigan in four games Friday night at Anderson Arena.

"In the last game of the match, there was a call that my assistant and I questioned," Coach Denise Van De Walle detailed. "We were on the court talking to the official, and the serve that won the match for Eastern was put into play."

The loss left Falcon coaches, players and fans smarting a bit at the way the game ended. Then, BG had just 24 hours before finding itself up against Kent St., hoping to erase the memories from a night before, but were defeated by the Golden Flashes, 3-1.

"These were some tough losses for us. I think we played really well, but all the controversy that surrounded our first match was mentally draining," Kristin Gamby said. "The game is under protest right now, but that was all we could talk about when we were going to Kent, and that really affected our play in that game."

The Falcons, riding the momentum of a three-game winning streak, played the

Eagles to a 12-12 tie during the mid-way point of the opening set.

An EMU error and Laura Twyman's second kill of the first set gave BG a two-point advantage, which ignited a 12-7 run that allowed the Falcons to take a 26-19 lead.

The Eagles would score four unanswered points, pulling them to within 26-23. Three consecutive EMU errors, however, gave the Falcons a 29-25 lead. Then, Gamby wrapped up the victory with her sixth kill of the set.

In the second set, BG played from behind until an EMU error tied the game at 17-17. The two teams played one another even-



Ben Swanger BG News

SPIKE: Kristin Gamby spikes the ball against Eastern Michigan Friday night. BG lost to Eastern in four sets.

VOLLEYBALL, PAGE 10



Ben Swanger BG News

POISED: BG quarterback Josh Harris looks for a receiver Saturday against Kent.

BG surges past Kent

By Zach Baker
SPORTS REPORTER

KENT, Ohio — Joe Alls rushed for a career-high 179 yards and two touchdowns, Josh Harris threw two touchdown passes and ran for one of his own and the Bowling Green defense forced five turnovers as the Falcons beat Kent State 45-14.

With the win, the Falcons improved to 8-0, making them one of only four undefeated teams in the nation. That record will be tested next week, when they head to Northern Illinois for a showdown between the two best teams in the Mid-American Conference's West Division.

BG opened the scoring against the Golden Flashes on a 2-yard touchdown run by Alls with 11:15 remaining in the first quarter. Kent State tied the score on a 10-yard touchdown run by quarterback Joshua Cribbs on the ensuing drive. Cribbs, who was questionable for the game with a hamstring injury, ran for 94 yards on the day. Kent State rushers had a total of 255 yards against the Falcon defense.

Falcon Coach Urban Meyer said that BG has to do a better job of stopping the run.

"I am very disappointed in the way we were able to stop the run," Meyer said. "I have enough trust in our coaches and players we'll get that corrected."

The first quarter ended with the two teams deadlocked at seven. Just like last week, Bowling Green dominated the second quarter, outscoring the Golden

Flashes 17-0. The Falcons' second touchdown was set up by an interception by Janssen Patton. BG then had a five-play drive which concluded when Alls ran for his second touchdown, a 30-yard run with 8:33 to go in the half.

After linebacker Chris Haneline recovered Kent State running back Antonio King's fumble on the Golden Flashes' next drive, Shaun Suisham kicked a 20-yard field goal to give the Falcons a 17-7 lead.

The BG defense wasn't done.

On Kent's next possession, Keon Newson intercepted Cribbs and gave Bowling Green the ball on the Kent 39 yard line. BG then marched down the field, and Harris threw his first touchdown pass of the game to Charles Sharon with nine seconds remaining in the half. BG led at halftime, 24-7.

Haneline, who in addition to forcing a fumble led the team with 10 total tackles, talked about the impact that the turnovers had on the game.

"Especially on the road, it's a killer for the home team to give the ball up," Haneline said. "We were fortunate today to get a good amount of turnovers, but that's our focus as a defense."

The two teams both played scoreless ball for most of the first quarter, before Kent State made one last attempt to get back into the game. Cribbs completed a 58-yard pass to Joshua Bostwick,

FOOTBALL, PAGE 8

Alls runs for career-high 179 yards

By Joel Hammond
SPORTS EDITOR

KENT, Ohio — Football minds of any nature know that the running game is often the most telling component in the outcome of a football game. Saturday was no different at Kent's Dix Stadium, where Bowling Green's ground attack got moving in the second quarter and carried the Falcons to a 45-14 romp over the Flashes.

Kent had controlled the running game through the first quarter, and true to form, the Flashes were knotted with the

Falcons after the first stanza. Running backs Antonio King and Eddie Beccles and quarterback Joshua Cribbs provided a three-man rotation that kept the Falcon defense off balance. King totaled 59 yards in the first, and Cribbs chipped in with a 10-yard touchdown run to tie the game at seven, giving the Flashes 97 yards on the ground.

Flashes coach Dean Pees, though, thought the turn of the momentum was easy to figure out.

"The rushing doesn't matter if you can't get the ball in the end

zone. We ran the ball well, but we should have run it better," Pees said. "I'm not sure we should have went away from it. We do things well, and we try to get cute, and we don't make Bowling Green stop what we're doing well."

"Our offense really got it moving, we controlled the ball, I thought we had a good plan," Pees said. "We had to control the ball for the entire game to win the game. The thing of it is, though, is that it [Kent's rushing total] is a statistic. We're too god-dang caught up in how we're

doing statistically. We're 3-6. That's the only statistic that god-dang matters."

Saturday's loss could be traced to the second quarter, when BG tailback Joe Alls, who has rushed for over 100 yards in two consecutive games after returning from a shoulder injury, used massive holes at the line of scrimmage to virtually take the game over. Alls, who rushed for 28 yards in the first quarter, including a two-yard touchdown run, exploded for 52 more in the second, including an impressive 30-yard scamper midway through the

quarter to put the Falcons up for good at 14-7.

"Last week, I ran pretty good, but didn't feel all the way back," Alls explained. "I rehabbed hard to try to get my shoulder better, and the coaches have done a great job with me. Today it felt good, it felt normal, I felt like I did before I got injured. The offensive line did a great job blocking, as usual, and we just had a great game."

"Josh [Harris] has been dinged up a little bit, and being able to

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DOWN: BG running back Joe Alls is tackled by Kent's Tom Crock Saturday afternoon.

Alls once again leads charge for 8-0 Falcons

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run the ball like we have has taken a lot of pressure off of him too. ... We've been running the ball well, and we're going to go into each game running the ball."

Kent continued to run the ball effectively, but as their coach explained, could not seem to sustain drives and punch the ball in the end zone. And in the second half, Alls and the Falcons did just the opposite, racking up 172 yards on the ground in putting the Flashes away. Alls ran for 99 yards

in the second half, and finished the game with a career-high 179 yards in 21 carries. It was his fourth 100-yard rushing game of the season, and eighth of his career.

"That's the beauty of our offense," BG Coach Urban Meyer said. "People have said to me, 'Is that the game plan?' and yeah, that's the game plan every week, to run the ball. Joe Alls ran exceptionally hard, I think it was one of Joe's better games. I think he played fantastic today."

For the game, BG outrushed the

Flashes 293-255, and 265-158 after the first quarter. Meyer acknowledged that BG's rush defense needs to improve significantly heading into this week's showdown with Northern Illinois, a team who runs the ball very well.

"We gave up 250 rushing yards, and if we do that again next week, we won't win that game," Meyer said. "We will be 8-1 at this point next week if we played like we did this week. Our focus is on getting Mike Malone and Jason Morton healthy, and get our other guys healthy."

Defense forces three big turnovers, BG rolls to win

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and three plays later, Eddie Beccles scored a touchdown on a 16-yard run, cutting BG's lead to 24-14 at the end of the third quarter.

Meyer talked about the respect that the Falcons had for Cribbs.

"In case anybody is wondering what we are looking for in a quarterback to recruit, that kid we just played against. ... I think he's a fantastic player, and so do our players," Meyer said.

Bowling Green would dominate the final quarter, starting on the first play, when Harris ran for a three-yard touchdown to put the game out of reach. Harris connected again later in the quarter, when he hit P.J. Pope for a 34-yard touchdown pass to give BG a 38-14 lead. It was Pope's only reception. He also rushed for 29 yards on five carries.

BG's final score came when Andy Sahn rushed for a 12-yard touchdown with 7:18 left.

Harris said that BG's offense is adaptive to the game's situation.

"We do what we need to do to win the game," Harris said. "We do what we need to do to move the chains and to make sure this offense continues to have success."

Kent coach Dean Pees said he thought his team was well prepared, but didn't take advantage of its opportunities, while Bowling Green did.

"(Bowling Green) has an excellent, excellent football team," Pees said. "They came in, played hard and were well prepared. I thought our kids had a good attitude going into the game, we just made too many mistakes at too many critical times."

Meyer said that getting ready for next week's matchup with Northern Illinois will be exciting for everyone on the team.



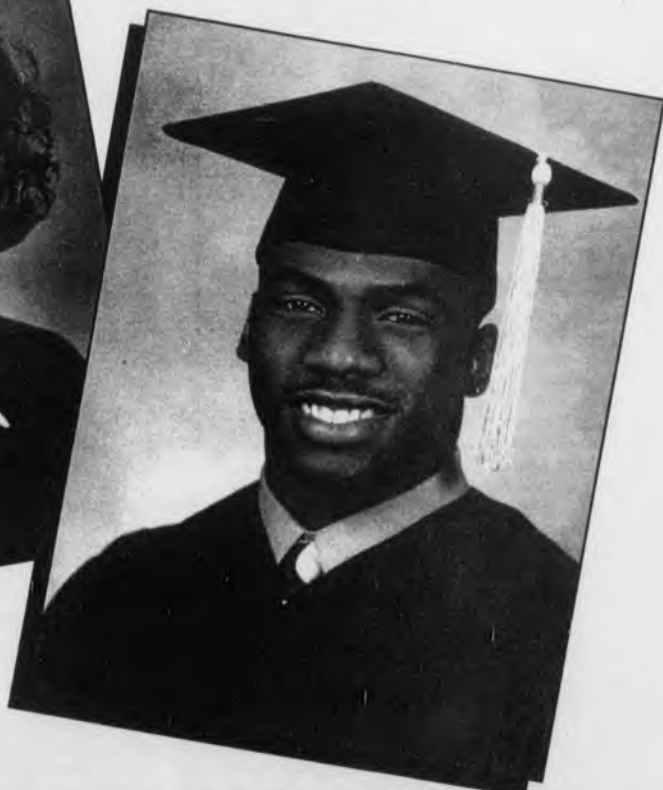
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TOUCHDOWN: BG quarterback Andy Sahn rushes for the touchdown Saturday afternoon at Kent's Dix Stadium.

"This is our super bowl, this is our championship game, this is it," Meyer said. "It's the greatest week to ever be a part of. We're looking forward to it."

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The women's soccer team finished its season with a 3-1 victory over Wright State on Friday. BG rebounded from last Sunday's loss against Northern Illinois to end the season on a high note.

BG scored first on a goal by Keeley Dayton at 31:42. BG maintained that lead through much of the second half, until Kristy Coppes doubled the lead with a goal at 74:40. The goal by Coppes was her 11th of the season, and gave her 23 career goals, a school record.

The Falcons got their final goal with just over five minutes remaining, when Samantha Meister scored. Wright State spoiled the hope for a shutout with a goal inside the final two minutes.

The Falcons finished the regular season with a record of 11-7-2.

After BG's win, Ohio defeated Marshall, which meant that the Bobcats will enter the Mid-American Conference postseason tournament as the number three seed, while BG will enter at number four. The Falcons will host Buffalo in the Falcons' first home playoff game program history on Tuesday at 2 p.m.



File Photo

IN PURSUIT: Sophomore Jenny Berlovan pursues the ball in a recent game at Cochrane Field. The Falcons open the MAC Tournament tomorrow, hosting Buffalo at 2 p.m.

"The game was dominated by their special teams. ... They did a great job of keeping the pressure on."

SCOTT PALUCH, HOCKEY COACH

Icers struggle vs. RedHawks

By Will Curitore
SPORTS REPORTER

The two games that the Bowling Green Hockey team (2-7-0, 0-6-0) played this past weekend, despite producing the same result, spawned vastly different storylines.

Their opponent was the RedHawks of Miami University (8-2-0, 5-1-0), a team that defeated the Falcons, 2-1, on October 5th at the Lefty McFadden Invitational in Dayton.

Friday, the two teams played the first of two consecutive games at the Goggin Ice Arena in Oxford. The offense began with Bowling Green scoring the game's first goal, something they had not done all year to this point. The score came courtesy of Mike Falk's second goal of the season on a power play at 9:53 of the second period. The goal was assisted by both Kevin Bieksa and Brian Escobedo. Miami answered with a power play goal of their own by Matt Davis almost five

minutes later to tie the score at one goal apiece. Nick Jardine then gave the RedHawks a 2-1 lead going into the locker room with just under two minutes left in the period.

Miami started off the third period just as they had ended the second. The Hawks took a 3-1 lead with a score 5:55 into the final frame.

However, the Falcons fought back. It all started as D'arcy McConvey, and Steve Brudzewski were threatening just outside the crease. Then, as the puck entered the crease, it was smothered by a Miami player. That resulted in a penalty shot at the 10:03 mark. McConvey shot stick-side, but was denied by Miami goaltender David Burleigh. A score would have made the deficit a single goal.

Kevin Bieksa would score that second goal for the Falcons at the 15:24 mark. He

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Miami capitalizes on BG penalties

By Erica Gambaccini
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Thirteen penalties for a total of 45 minutes in the box lead to the Falcon's 6-1 loss against Miami Saturday.

The RedHawks capitalized on four of seven power plays in the game.

"Their power play was really the difference in the game," said head coach Scott Paluch. "We had no way to stop them on the

power play and taking some unnecessary penalties really put us in the hole."

The Falcons' first major penalty came at 5:44 to Alex Rogosheske. He received a 5:00 penalty for checking from behind and a game misconduct.

A little over two minutes later, Miami found the net giving them their first power play goal of the evening.

"They used the power play to

gain momentum in the game," Paluch said. "Clearly the game was dictated by their special teams."

The next penalty that in a Miami power play goal didn't come until the end of the second period. Captain D'Arcy McConvey hit Miami's goaltender, which resulted in some pushing and shoving after the whistle.

The altercation resulted in four

penalties, two to Miami and two to the Falcons. McConvey received a 2:00 penalty for charging the goalie and a 2:00 penalty for roughing. One Miami player received a 10:00 penalty and a game misconduct, while another RedHawk also received a roughing penalty.

Thirty seconds later, another altercation arose in front of Miami's net and the RedHawks scored another power play goal.

This altercation resulted in eight penalties, four to each team. Kip Horner received a 2:00 penalty for slashing, while Erik Eaton received the remainder of the penalties: two 2:00 penalties for roughing, a 10-minute penalty and a game misconduct. Miami received 2:00 penalties for roughing and cross-checking (2) and a 10-minute game misconduct penalty.

"We want to avoid those type

of situations," Paluch said. "We don't want to get involved with that kind of stuff in-between the whistle. Those altercations certainly didn't help us."

With the 13 penalties the Falcons had the RedHawks were able to come up with 13 shots on goal.

"We took too many penalties and weren't able to kill them," said goaltender Tyler Masters.

Falcons fall to EMU, Kent St.

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ly up to 26, but Nadia Bedricky's point-saving dig set up a kill by Gamby that gave the Falcons their first lead of the set.

One of Junior Susie Norris' 15 kills pushed BG ahead by two at 28-26, but the Eagles ended the set with a 5-1 run taking a 31-29 victory.

The third set progressed much like the second. At last, a service ace by Gamby gave BG a 20-19 lead. EMU took the lead once again when they used an 8-6 run to go ahead 27-26.

A Twyman kill tied the game at 27-27. The Falcons then went ahead 29-28. Nevertheless, the Eagles scored the set's final three points, once again eking out a 31-29 win.

"The second and third were very tough losses for us, because we competed so hard and felt like we could have easily won both matches," Bedricky said. "We were still very confident going into the fourth set."

Three hard-fought battles only set the stage for something memorable, as well as something that told us more about the Falcons than any win that they have had throughout this season.

With a 20-15 lead, the Eagles gave way to a 13-9 run that pulled the Falcons to within one. Taylor Twite, who was seeing her first action of the game, tied the score with one of her five kills at 29-29.

BG and EMU exchanged leads, but when junior Bridget Protas' 11th kill of the game brought BG to within one point of sending the match into a fifth game, two questionable calls gave the Eagles a 38-37 lead.

Twite, who played a significant role in the Falcons' effort during the final set, came up short in her attempted kill, which provided the final margin.

"I think that was probably the best we've played all season," Bedricky said. "I think everyone came out and played 100 percent. There was a little bit of drama with some of the calls and those were tough breaks for us."

The previous night's match may have loomed largely in the minds of the Falcons, but there was still business that needed to be tended to on Saturday night in Kent.

Fatigue might have played a role in the Falcons hitting .079 and .146, and also combining to commit 15 errors in the 22-30 loss in the opening set and the 24-30 defeat that followed.

"Friday's game definitely deterred from the team's concentration Saturday," Van De Walle said. "Eastern was such a hard-fought and emotional game, that's all we talked about on the bus to Kent and during the day."

The play that had defined the Falcons during the previous four matches took its course in the third set. BG produced 22 kills



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BLOCKED: Falcons Bridget Protas (11) and Susie Norris (3) go up for the block Friday night against Eastern Michigan.

and hit .280 in pulling out a 32-30 victory.

The Golden Flashes would hold the Falcons under a .200 hitting percentage once again, only allowing .122 in the fourth set to go along with 14 kills and a .211 hitting percentage to defeat the Falcons 30-26.

BG was led by Norris' 15 kills, which put her over 900 for her career at 907 and 10 defensive digs. The Falcons were also led by Gamby and Twite, each of whom poured.

To say the least, the losses left something to be desired for BG. And Bedricky, who reached 200 digs for her career against KSU, felt that the desire will carry with the team for the remainder of the

season.

"We learned a lot about ourselves this weekend, and I think that even though we lost both matches they showed how much we have grown throughout this season," Bedricky said. "These were two setbacks for us, but I think we've earned a lot of respect and that's something we will continue to do for the rest of the season."

The Falcons (8-17, 3-10) return to action Friday night when they face the Ball State Cardinals in Anderson Arena. The match is scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

"We earned a lot of respect from our first match against Eastern, and I think that we proved a lot," Gamby said.

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had a loose puck trickle to him at the top of the point and fired top-shelf past Burleigh to bring BG within a goal. However, despite scoring both the first and last goals of the game, that is as close as they would get as Miami would win the contest 3-2.

Miami would go 4-7 on the power play en route to a 6-1 victory.

"The game was dictated by their special teams," said coach Scott Paluch. "Especially when they had the extra man, they did a great job of keeping the pressure on."

The Redhawks' first score would be one of their two even-strength goals of the night. It came from Mike Kompon only 1:23 into the first period.

Minutes later, the Falcons would take a hit as Brett Pilkington went into the boards hard and had to be helped off the ice. Soon afterwards, sophomore Alex Rogosheske was ejected from the game following an altercation.

"We want to be a team that plays hard from whistle to whistle and not get involved in that kind of stuff after the whistle," Paluch said.

Two minutes into the long power play created by the aforementioned altercation, Nick Jardine would register Miami's second goal of the evening at the 7:58 mark of the first period. The Falcons would trail 2-0 going into the first intermission.

The second period would see Miami add four more goals, three of which on the power play, and take a 6-0 lead.

Among the few bright spots for the Falcons was Ryan Barnett, who netted the only goal of the game for Bowling Green late in the third period. The score was the freshman's first of the year.

"It wasn't a pretty goal, but the first one's out of the way and it feels good," Barnett said.

Another bright spot is the continued excellent play of goaltender Tyler Masters who, despite letting up six goals, had 43 saves. Masters did play well in the third period, saving all eighteen shots that sailed his way.

"Tyler made some good saves in some key situations," Paluch said.

"I felt strong in the third period," Masters said. "Being a goaltender, I'm the guy that wants to keep the team in the game and I didn't do that tonight."

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Miami's out, Oklahoma No. 1 in AP poll

By Richard Rosenblatt
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A shaky win by Miami against one of the worst teams in the country became a big loss Sunday—the Hurricanes are out as No. 1.

Oklahoma replaced Miami as the top team in The Associated Press media poll, ending the Hurricanes' record run of 21 consecutive polls at No. 1.

Miami improved to 8-0 with a 42-17 win over Rutgers (1-8), but trailed by three points entering the fourth quarter. Oklahoma moved to 8-0 with a dominating 27-11 win over Colorado (6-3), ranked No. 13 before the game.

Miami takes over the No. 2 spot formerly held by Oklahoma.

The defending national champion Hurricanes easily retained their No. 1 spot in the USA

Today/ESPN coaches poll. The split No. 1s, plus Saturday losses by four previously unbeaten teams, could create a shake-up in the Bowl Championship Series standings to be released Monday.

The BCS rankings will keep Oklahoma first, but it's too close to call for second between Miami and Ohio State (10-0), which jumped from No. 6 to No. 3 in the AP poll. The top two teams in the final BCS standings on Dec. 8 play for a national title in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 3.

Oklahoma, the 2000 national champions, moved ahead of the defending national champion Hurricanes by 14 points in balloting by the 74 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel.

The Sooners, a co-No. 1 with

Miami in the first regular-season poll, received 42 first-place votes and 1,818 points, to Miami's 32 first-place votes and 1,804 points. Oklahoma picked up 28 first-place votes from a week ago — 27 from Miami and one from Notre Dame, which fell to No. 9 from No. 4 after a 14-7 loss to Boston College.

Winning and falling from No. 1 doesn't happen often, but it occurred last year — to Miami. After No. 1 Miami defeated Troy State 38-7 and Florida beat No. 18 LSU 44-15, the Gators moved to the top spot but lost the next week.

Ohio State was the biggest beneficiary of first losses by Virginia Tech, Notre Dame and Georgia, ranked 3-4-5, respectively, last week.

The Bulldogs (8-1) fell two

spots to No. 7 after a 20-13 loss to Florida; the Hokies (8-1) dropped five spots to No. 8 after a 28-21 loss to Pittsburgh; and the Fighting Irish (8-1) also tumbled five places, to No. 9.

Four teams remain unbeaten — the top three of Oklahoma, Miami and Ohio State and No. 21 Bowling Green.

Texas, a 27-24 winner over Nebraska, moved up three places to No. 4, followed by Washington State, Iowa, Georgia, Virginia Tech, Notre Dame and Southern California.

North Carolina State (9-1) lost to Georgia Tech 24-17 and dropped four spots to No. 14.

Minnesota, 34-3 losers to Ohio State, and Tennessee fell out of the Top 25, while this week's newcomers are Pittsburgh at No. 22 and Florida at No. 23.



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2/ At the Wood County Board of Election, One Courthouse Square, BG, daily between now-and Election Day from 8:30am-4:30pm; or

3/ At Anderson Arena, BGSU on Election Day, 6:30am-7:30pm.

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